

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, William E. Jones, M.D., has faithfully, selflessly ministered to the health needs of the residents of Sturgis and the Northern Black Hills for nearly forty years; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Bill, with utmost T.L.C., nurtured over 4000 expectant mothers and devotedly presided at the birth of their children; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Bill, with scant regard for his personal well-being or financial reward, responds to his patients' calls at all hours, nights, Sundays, holidays, or in sub-zero weather, traversing the treacherous, snow-packed, unimproved road from his beloved Cabin-in-the-Hills; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Bill, Humanitarian-Ecologist with Welch instincts, retrieves unsightly roadway litter; oftentimes, transforming "trash to treasure" for starving antelope, hungry deer, or wormless trout; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Bill's shiny, black motorcycle brings adventure into his life, with thrills, spills, and hundreds of "Hospital" trips, (once with a stalled motorist mother-to-be on behind him), smiling and waving to his more sedentary friends on the golf course, as he winds his way through Boulder Canyon; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Bill's axe and chain saw provide great holiday pleasure for his friends, with crackling birch logs for their fireplaces; and,

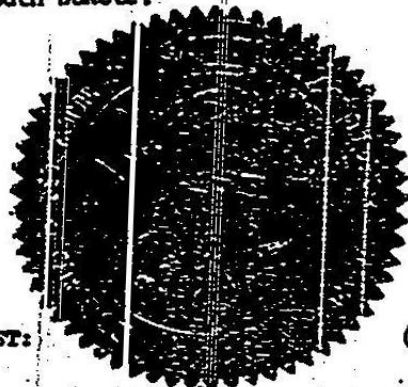
WHEREAS, Dr. Bill's strong voice lifts in joy with the Methodist choir each Sunday morning, and his fervent passion for opera and great music, inspires patients and friends to add a new dimension to their lives; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Bill, witness to Birth, to Life, to Death, has dedicated his energies to alleviating pain and suffering among all God's creatures:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 29, 1987, as

DR. "BILL" DAY

in South Dakota.



WITNESSETH:

Joan Hazelton
JOAN HAZELTON, SECRETARY OF STATE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Governor's Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fifth Day of March, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Seven

George S. Mickelson
GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR